

COMCRIM Student Assistant

Organization

Faculty of Law, Criminal Law and Criminology

[COMCRIM](#) is an interdisciplinary research project that studies crimes that undermine democracy and the rule of law (*rechtsstaat-ondermijnende criminaliteit, or ondermijning*) in and via the Netherlands. The project is conducted by a unique public-private consortium of 22 partners, including four universities, ministries, banks, law enforcement and intelligence agencies, and NGOs. With over 28 researchers from more than nine disciplines, COMCRIM explores the systemic drivers of crime and develops proactive, evidence-based interventions that foster the resilience of democracy and the rule of law.

Job Description

COMCRIM is looking for a student assistant for 6-8 hours per week to support academic and non-academic staff during the next academic year (September 2026 - June 2027).

The student assistant will have the opportunity to work across different work packages of the project (various areas and methods), with a mix of on-site and remote activities. We expect the student assistant to attend monthly team meetings to stay connected with the project and its ongoing activities.

What are the specific tasks of this position?

- Assisting the PhD candidates and principal investigator with literature research and reviews, including compiling and formatting bibliographies
- Supporting empirical research tasks, such as transcribing interviews and helping with data preparation
- Providing logistical and administrative support for the organization of events (workshops, conferences, presentations, cross-consortium meetings)
- Managing external communications of the project, such as its LinkedIn page and website
- Other research and administrative tasks as needed

What skills and characteristics does the successful candidate have?

- Final-year bachelor's student or master's student in social sciences, law, forensic psychology, statistics, or related fields
- Ideally has completed coursework in research methods or empirical research
- Curious, research-oriented, and willing to learn
- Ability to work independently and manage time effectively
- Strong command of English and Dutch, particularly in writing
- Interest in the topics studied by COMCRIM

What's in it for you?

- Practical experience in a dynamic academic environment
- Exposure to interdisciplinary research on crimes that undermine democracy and the rule of law
- Opportunity to develop research, organizational, and professional skills

Interested?

Please send your CV and a short motivation letter to Betsabé Vásquez at ruthbetsabe.vasquezmartinez@maastrichtuniversity.nl **by September 11, 2026.**